

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING**

PROJECT SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Proposed amendment to Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) to amend the La Crescenta-Montrose Community Standards District (CSD) to establish Area-Specific Standards for the Foothill Boulevard corridor

REQUEST: Adoption of the proposed amendment to Title 22; Advance Planning Case No. 200800002

LOCATION: La Crescenta-Montrose

APPLICANT OR SOURCE: Regional Planning Commission directive

STAFF CONTACT: Mr. Mitch Glaser at (213) 974-6476

RPC HEARING DATE: August 20, 2008

RPC RECOMMENDATION: Board public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed amendment

MEMBERS VOTING AYE: Commissioners Bellamy, Helsley, Modugno, Rew, and Valadez

MEMBERS VOTING NAY: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MEMBERS ABSTAINING: None

KEY ISSUES: Residents of La Crescenta-Montrose are concerned about the appearance of the Foothill Boulevard corridor. The purpose of the CSD amendment is to address these concerns by establishing a cohesive identity for the corridor through comprehensive site planning and design practices.

The CSD amendment establishes standards for setbacks, building height, building design, landscaping, and signage that are generally far more specific and restrictive than the current standards in place. The CSD amendment requires that plans be

prepared and certified by a licensed architect and landscape architect and that any subsequent construction be reviewed and certified by a licensed architect.

MAJOR POINTS FOR:

The CSD amendment addresses community concerns about the appearance of the Foothill Boulevard corridor and will ensure that future development projects are well designed.

MAJOR POINTS AGAINST:

None